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April 14, 2008

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In re Application of:

Yong C. Kim, et al.

Serial No.: 10/613,199

Group Art Unit: 2832

Filed: July 03, 2003

Examiner: Marina Fishman

For: ADJUSTABLE SNAP ACTION SWITCH

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed are the following:


1. Petition for Revival Of An Application For Patent Abandoned Unavoidably Under 37 CFR 1.137(a).
2. 4 pages of SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER
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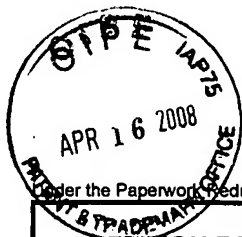
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Respectfully submitted,

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- (2) Reply and/or issue fee.
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee – required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995, and for all design applications; and
- (4) Adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay.

1. Petition fee

☐ Small entity – fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(l)). Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ Other than small entity – fee \$ 510 (37 CFR 1.17(l)).

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3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

- ☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ _____ for a small entity or \$ _____ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. An adequate showing of the cause of the delay, and that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) was unavoidable, is enclosed.

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- ☒ Additional sheets containing statements establishing unavoidable delay
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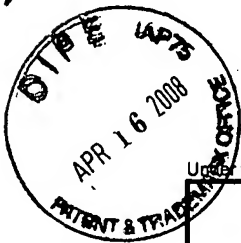
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NOTE: The following showing of the cause of unavoidable delay must be signed by all applicants or by any other party who is presenting statements concerning the cause of delay.

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(In the space provided below, please explain in detail the reasons for the delay in filing a proper reply.)

I, Leon D. Rosen, ^{attorney for applicant} state that in the above patent application, an appeal brief was filed September 23, 2005, an Examiner's Answer was mailed March 08 2006, and a Response To Examiner's Answer was mailed March 23, 2006. ²⁰⁰⁶

On April 30, 2007, the Board of Appeals issued an "Order Returning Undocumented Appeal To Examiner". The order stated that the "Summary of claimed subject matter" is deficient because "it does not map the independent claims to the specification", and that "an entire new brief need not, and should not, be filed. Rather, a paper providing a summary of the claimed subject matter... will suffice". The Order required the Examiner to "notify appellants to file a paper providing a summary of the claimed subject matter." The Order was received by Applicant on May 2, 2007.

On May 15, 2007, the undersigned sent the enclosed 4-pages which includes a SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER, which is a response to the Order dated April 30, 2007. The cover page contains a signed certificate of mailing. A copy of the ^{unstamped} return post card is also enclosed. The next communication in the file is a Notice of Abandonment dated April 10, 2008 stating the reason is that "No reply has been received regarding the Defective Brief notice sent on 08/23/05". I spoke to the Examiner, Marina Fishman, on April 14, 2008 who informed me that she was notified of the abandonment a few months ago, called my office and did not reach anyone, and never called again.

Applicant mailed the Reply with the certificate of mailing on time. Applicant has no idea why the Board of Appeals did not receive it, or claims they did not receive it. One possibility is that the mail did not get to the US post office, that the US Post Office misplaced it, or that the department in the US Patent Office that receives mail misplaced it, with the mail dumped into the trash in each instance. Any such occurrence is very unlikely in any particular case, but might occur in a very small fraction of 1% of all cases, just as traffic accidents and deaths occur in a very small fraction of 1% of all auto trips. I do not remember any previous similar occurrence, of mailing a response to the US Patent Office and getting a notice of abandonment with no return post card. Any system has very rare, but actual, breakdowns, so any very rare breakdowns are

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unavoidable. Thus, applicant petitions for revival of the present applications on the grounds that it was abandoned unavoidably.

If the US Patent Office finds that the above grounds do not support a petition to revive on the grounds of unavoidability then petitioner requests that the abandonment be found to be unintentionable.

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